

INDIA ESCORTED TOUR

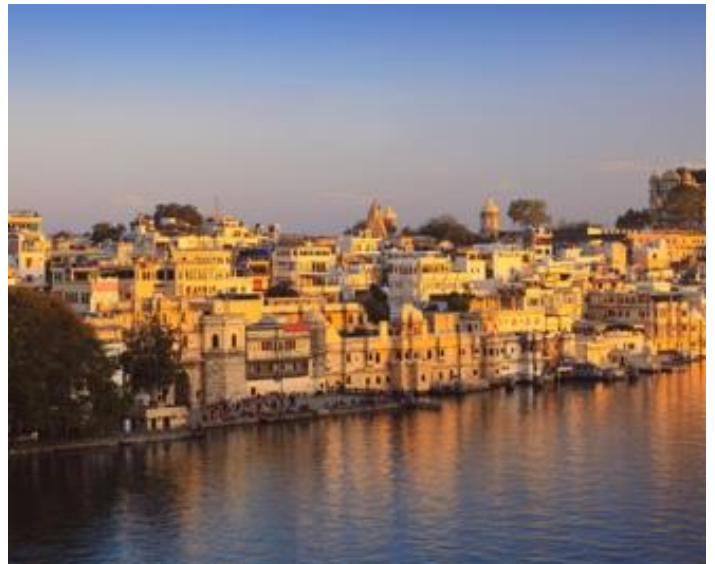


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Classic India Escorted Tour with Flights

Duration: 14 days

Stay: 12 nights hotels (4-5 star rating)

Travel style: Escorted tour with flights from Australia

Booking code: INDG14M

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14 Days Classic India Tour with Flights

About the holiday

This extraordinary tour of India ticks all the boxes. Must-see sights - tick. Luxe accommodation - tick. Loads of inclusions - tick. Expert guides - tick!

See more for less on a tour that starts in New Delhi and travels to Agra, Ranthambore, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur and Mumbai.

Discover New Delhi's grand boulevards and take a cycle rickshaw through the lanes of Old Delhi. The historic city of Agra is where you'll find the famous Taj Mahal and World Heritage-listed Agra Fort. In Ranthambore National Park you'll see a different side of India and, if you're very lucky, while on a wildlife safari you could spot a tiger. Explore the "Pink City" of Jaipur and the blue-hued old city of Jodhpur. Spend time in the stunning city of Udaipur, which you might recognise from the James Bond film 'Octopussy' and before flying home, take a tour of colonial Mumbai.

Expert local guides, all your transport and premium accommodation, as well as free time to explore at your leisure, make this an ideal Indian adventure.

Why you'll love this trip...

- View the imposing India Gate War Memorial in New Delhi
- Raj Ghat, cremation site and memorial to Mahatma Gandhi
- Qutub Minar Victory Tower, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Taj Mahal, one of the most famous architectural monuments in the world
- Safari in Ranthambore National Park, former hunting grounds of the Maharajas
- Visit the Amber Fort with its gorgeous Palace of Mirrors
- View the Mehrangarh Fort, called the "Citadel of the Sun"
- Tour Udaipur's spectacular City Palace, a creation of marble and granite
- Stand before the commanding Gateway to India Arch in Mumbai
- International flights from Australia are included on this hassle-free trip!

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for current rates & travel info.



Travel Dates:

Departs Saturdays in February, March, October & November for the lowest prices
Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking - contact us for details.

Tour package includes:

- International return economy airfares from Australia to Delhi & from Mumbai
Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- Domestic one-way flight Udaipur-Mumbai
- 12 nights accommodation in premium 4- & 5-star hotels
 - 2 nights New Delhi
 - 2 nights Agra
 - 2 nights Ranthambore
 - 2 nights Jaipur
 - 1 night Jodhpur
 - 2 nights Udaipur
 - 1 night Mumbai
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel portorage
- 20 meals: 12 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 6 dinners with wine
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

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Booking fees & cancellation conditions apply.***

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Package excludes:

Airport transfers - speak to your consultant if you would like to pre-book
Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary
Optional tours & activities
Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc.
Gratuities for tour managers & drivers
Video & camera permits
Travel insurance is essential - we can assist you with a quote
Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

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Itinerary:

DAY 1, Saturday - Depart for India

DAY 2, Sunday - Arrive in New Delhi

Welcome to India! Arrive in the energetic capital city of New Delhi and make your own way to the hotel. Time to rest and relax after your journey.

Overnight: New Delhi

DAY 3, Monday - Old & New Delhi

Wake up this morning to the incredible journey in India that awaits you. Begin with the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Qutub Minar, the world's tallest brick minaret. Later, continue on to the walled city of Old Delhi, founded by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan. Drive past the massive Red Fort, a reminder of the magnificent power and pomp of the Mughal emperors. Then, ride a cycle rickshaw along the lanes of Chandni Chowk, once the imperial avenue of Mughal royalty. Travel along the winding streets to Raj Ghat, memorial to Mahatma Gandhi, Father of the Nation and site of his cremation. The tour continues to New Delhi, a city of airy boulevards, lush parks and gardens. Visit the 20th-century Birla Temple, honouring the Hindu goddess of wealth. Drive past the imposing India Gate War Memorial to Indian and British soldiers, Parliament House and the Presidential Palace. This evening, attend an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager at approximately 6 PM, followed by a light dinner

Overnight: New Delhi

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 4, Tuesday - New Delhi to Agra

Morning visit to Akshardham Temple, it is a beautifully ornate structure carved by 7,000 sculptors out of pink sandstone and white marble with over 20,000 statues, floral motifs and exquisite carved pillars made of stone that epitomizes the spirituality and beauty of the country's rich Hindu culture.

This architectural masterpiece, built along the river Yamuna, lies in an area of over 100 acres with beautiful gardens, water fountains and carved pavilions. Afterwards, on to Agra, with its celebrated past, rich heritage and architectural treasures. En route, stop at the Tomb of Itmad-ud-Daulah, built of the finest Indian marble embellished with mosaics and inlay of semi-precious stones. Tonight, enjoy dinner at the hotel

Overnight: Agra

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 5, Wednesday - Taj Mahal & Agra Fort

A memorable day as you visit the astonishing Taj Mahal, built by Emperor Shah Jahan as a mausoleum for his beloved queen. This is perhaps the most perfect architectural monument in the world, built of white marble and precious stones over a 22-year period; regarded as the finest example of Mughal design in the world. Afterwards, stop at a handicraft gallery and showroom displaying a unique collection of sculptures, and intricate inlaid marble work. Marvel at the museum quality workmanship as you watch a demonstration of the timely process of marble carvings, filigree and stone inlay. Afterwards, you'll be able to browse their decorative items. Later, visit the red sandstone Agra Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with its incredible maze of walled courtyards, mosques and lavish private chambers reflecting the grandeur of the Mughal Empire. The balance of the day is at leisure

Overnight: Agra

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 6, Thursday - Agra to Ranthambore National Park

Depart Agra to the small ancient village of Abhaneri in northern Rajasthan. Here, you visit the Chand Baori step well, fortified on all sides, one of the oldest and largest in India dating back to the 8th or 9th century. This unique idea, conceived by the early natives to function as a water reservoir, is situated adjacent to the temple dedicated to Harshat Mata, the goddess of joy and happiness. After lunch, drive to the Ranthambore National Park region, one of the largest and most renowned national parks in Northern India, the former hunting grounds of the Maharajas of Jaipur. Time to enjoy the beautiful new surroundings. Dinner together tonight is at the hotel

Overnight: Ranthambore

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 7, Friday - Ranthambore National Park Safari

Set out this morning on an early morning drive to the wildlife sanctuary at Ranthambore National Park. A local naturalist guide joins you in your park-assigned Jeep or Canter vehicle as you begin your search for elusive tigers as well as hyenas, jackals and foxes. The park is dotted with structures, including a huge hilltop fort that reminds you of a bygone era. Ranthambore National Park was declared a wildlife sanctuary in 1957 and in 1974 it gained the protection of "Project Tiger."

The park is truly a wildlife enthusiasts and photographer's dream, most famous for its tigers and one of the best locations in India to see these majestic predators in their natural habitat. Have lunch at the hotel, with time to relax before the evening safari that is sure to thrill you. Return to the lodge in time for dinner together - a great opportunity to compare your wildlife stories

Overnight: Ranthambore

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 8, Saturday - Travel to Jaipur

Travel to Jaipur, gateway to the desert state of Rajasthan. Arrive in this glorious city, with its colourful stucco buildings lining the wide streets and you'll understand why it's nicknamed the "Pink City." The city was painted this unique colour in 1876 to celebrate the first visit of the Prince of Wales to Jaipur. Drive past stunning hilltop forts and glorious palaces en route to the hotel. Visit the world-famous Raj Mandir Cinema, a popular symbol of Jaipur with its astonishing meringue-shaped auditorium, ever-changing coloured lighting and a symmetrical shaped exterior, afterwards visit a local jewellery store

Overnight: Jaipur

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 9, Sunday - Amber Fort and Highlights of Jaipur

Excursion to the spectacular Amber Fort, a stunning fusion of Mughal and Hindu styles, with its gorgeous Palace of Mirrors. On the way, drive past the Hawa Mahal, the "Palace of Winds" with its lacy ornamental façade accented by delicate latticework and honeycomb windows. Arrive to the Amber Fort and ascend the hill to the ramparts by jeep. From here, view the breathtaking panorama of Jaipur's original city walls and Maatha Lake. Enjoy some refreshments while shopping the vast collection of local handicrafts at a store, offering premium quality handmade carpets, textiles, pashminas, pottery and paintings. Fabrics in all colours and texture are available for loose purchase as well as custom design work. This afternoon's tour includes the beautifully preserved 18th century Jantar Mantar Observatory with its ingenious instruments, and the opulent City Palace, a former royal residence, now a grand museum with an extraordinary collection of paintings, costumes and armoury. Stroll through Jaipur's bargain-filled bazaar bursting with treasures.

Tonight's *optional* evening is highlighted by the exotic flavours of Indian cuisine at a local neighbourhood restaurant where you'll be entertained by performers in traditional attire performing dance moves to the rhythm of accompanying musical instruments*

For Nov 4 departure Dinner at Local Jaipur Restaurant Optional Tour will be on day 8 due to Diwali festival

Optional: Dinner at Local Jaipur Restaurant with Cultural Performance

Overnight: Jaipur

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 10, Monday - Jaipur to Jodhpur

Arrive in the blue-hued old city of Jodhpur, which lies at the foot of the massive Mehrangarh Fort that dominates the skyline. Begin with a visit to the Jaswant Thada Memorial, built in 1899 out of the finest marble in honour of the Maharaja of Jodhpur. Afterwards, ascend to the imposing Mehrangarh Fort, built in 1459 of burnished red sandstone, often called the "Citadel of the Sun." This fort, one of the most impressive in all of Rajasthan, is acknowledged as one of the best-preserved forts in all of India. Tonight, enjoy dinner together at the hotel

Overnight: Jodhpur

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 11, Tuesday - Ranakpur en route to Udaipur

This morning, depart Jodhpur for Udaipur. On your drive, stop in Ranakpur to visit one of the Jain's holiest pilgrimage centres and the Jain Temple, dating back to the 14th and 15th centuries, crafted of pure white marble with more than a thousand columns. See the magnificent views of the surrounding landscape before departing to Udaipur, known as the "City of Lakes" and celebrated for its fairy-tale marble palaces that seem to rise from the waters of Lake Pichola. Arrive at your hotel in Udaipur late in the evening. Tonight, explore the city's culinary scene

Overnight: Udaipur

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 12, Wednesday - Udaipur City Tour & Lake Pichola Boat Ride

Begin the day with a tour of Udaipur. Visit the spectacular City Palace, a soaring creation of marble and granite perched on the lake's edge. This extravagant palace complex, the largest in Rajasthan, blends medieval, European, and Chinese architecture and is richly decorated with glittering Belgium mirrors. The serene setting of the Sahelion-ki-Bari gardens is your next stop, with its lovely fountains, lotus pools and marble elephants. Spend the afternoon at leisure before departing on an evening boat cruise on Lake Pichola

Overnight: Udaipur

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 13, Thursday - Flight to Mumbai (formerly Bombay), Explore Mumbai

This morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Mumbai. Upon arrival begin your tour of Mumbai at the commanding Gateway to India Arch, built to commemorate the 1911 royal visit of King George V. Ironically, 24 years later, the last British regimen marched through the Arch while leaving India following the country's independence. Continue to Dhobi Ghat, where dirty laundry from all over Mumbai is brought to a massive open-air laundry and painstakingly hand washed by the "dhobis" (washermen) in endless rows of concrete troughs fitted with flogging stones. It provides an unforgettable glimpse into the workings of the city and unlike anything you have ever seen.

Stop at the Mani Bhavan Mahatma Gandhi Museum, where Gandhi's movement was launched in 1942 and the serene ISKCON Temple. Drive through colonial Mumbai with its many buildings, structures and historical monuments still remaining from the colonial era. Tonight, attend dinner at the hotel

Overnight: Mumbai

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 14, Friday - Depart India, Fly to Australia

Free time this morning for individual explorations, depending on your flight schedule, then make your own way to the airport for your departure flight

Day Use: Mumbai

Meals: Breakfast

Please note: The day-by-day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.

Accommodation:

These hotels have been chosen for their comfort and location. Where your group will be staying will be confirmed prior to departure and changes to similar, suitable hotels are at the discretion of the tour operator.

The Suryaa New Delhi, New Delhi

This first class hotel is located in the posh New Friends Colony neighbourhood of New Delhi.

Jaypee Palace, Agra

This deluxe hotel is centrally located in the main tourist district of Agra.

Juna Mahal or The Tigress Ranthambore, Sawai Madhopur

These first class hotels are both located near Ranthambhore National Park.

LaLit Jaipur, Jaipur

This first class hotel is situated nearby the Jawahar Circle garden.

Radisson Jaipur City Centre, Jaipur

This superior first class hotel is a ten minute drive from the City Palace of Jaipur.

WelcomHeritage Bal Samand Lake Palace, Jodhpur

This first class hotel is located a short drive from Mandore, the ancient capital of Marwar.

Devi Bhawan Hotel, Jodhpur

This first class hotel is set amidst lush gardens in Jodhpur.

Radisson Udaipur, Udaipur

This superior tourist class hotel is situated next to the Lake City Mall.

Hotel Shiv Niwas Palace, Udaipur

The superior first class hotel is located in Udaipur near the City Palace, overlooking Lake Pichola.

Trident Udaipur Hotel, Udaipur

This first class hotel is located on the banks of Lake Pichola in Udaipur.

Trident Nariman Point Hotel, Mumbai

This deluxe hotel is located in the business district of Mumbai.

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